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Hanging. On

▶ Four-year-old Christopher Ling hangs onto the boards at the Air Canada Centre yesterday.

KEITH BEATY

Kids learn how to skate at the ACC

Maple Leaf Sports and Entertainment provided 100 area children — many of whom have never skated before — with skates, pads and helmets as they took part in an on-ice skate clinic yesterday at the Air Canada Centre.

Toronto's skyline changing

▶ Big construction projects continue in 2011 ▶ Wasted spaces become parks, new skyscrapers coming up

Toronto will be a construction zone next year as work continues on some of the city's most defining projects — Don River Park in the West Don Lands, the Queens Quay reconfiguration, the revitalization of Fort York and Nathan Phillips Square and highrises such as the Aurora and L-Tower — but few will be complete by the end of the year. Here's a look at what will change in and around the city by the end of 2011:

Reclaimed spaces

In the spring, the north portion of Sherbourne Common, the city's new park on former industrial land at Queens Quay and Sherbourne, will open to include a children's play area. At the end of the year, Underpass Park, below the eastern portion of the Richmond Street overpass, will see derelict land transformed into ball hockey and basketball courts, as well as seating.

Landmark towers

The 59-storey Trump Hotel and Tower at Bay and Adelaide streets will become Toronto's second-highest building when it's finished.

Transit

The Yonge-University subway line will get a new look this year with the delivery of a completely redesigned train that's distinguished from the existing T1 cars by the fact that riders will be able to walk the full length of the train inside.

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BP no longer DOA

Oil company back from the brink after Gulf spill {page 6}

Never any doubt

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Woman dies hours after hit and run

A woman died in hospital early yesterday morning after being struck by two vehicles at Steeles Avenue E. and Silver Star Boulevard on Tuesday evening.

The victim was crossing Steeles when she was struck by a van. A second vehicle travelling northbound on Silver Star Boulevard struck the woman again as she lay on the ground at about 5:30 p.m.

The driver of the van remained at the scene but the second vehicle drove off. A friend of the victim quickly arrived at the scene to be by her friend's side, said Toronto police Staff Sgt. Tim Ralph.

The victim, a 30-year-old woman, was taken to hospital but succumbed to her injuries at about 4:15 a.m.

The second vehicle is believed to be a light-coloured Toyota Corolla, said Ralph.

Ralph said police are still looking for witnesses as they determine whether charges will be laid against the first driver.

"The matter is still under investigation," he said.

He didn't release what type of injuries the woman sustained.

The area was closed off for much of Tuesday evening as police investigated but had reopened by yesterday morning.

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▶ The intersection of Steeles Avenue E. and Silver Star Boulevard, site of a fatal hit and run.

Thaw to make for a soggy New Year's

Spring-like weather forecast for Toronto this weekend

Planning a romantic New Year's Eve cuddled by a flickering fire? Better opt for the DVD version.

The forecast for tomorrow night is a rather May-like 9 C.

"Fine," you say, "we'll embrace the warmth outside, hand-in-hand, as fireworks kiss the moonlit sky."

Adorable. But it's going to rain, so good luck with that.

Don't blame us. If you're looking for the messenger, his name is Dave Phillips.

"It's going to be raining and it's going to be wet," said the Environment Canada climatologist, likening Toronto's weather to a yo-yo.

On New Year's Day, the high will be 8 C, which is about 10 degrees above average for this time of year.

"It will be melting above you and below you. A lot of splashing of pedestrians and revellers."
CLIMATOLOGIST DAVE PHILLIPS

"It could be that Toronto will be the warmest place in Canada this New Year's," Phillips said. However, the city's record high for a New Year's Day — 9.2 C in 2007— is likely to remain unchallenged.

And don't get too comfortable. On Sunday, the temperature will drop back down to a high of -4 C.

A flash freeze will replace the slush, setting a slippery precedent for the unpredictable wintry days that lie ahead.

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▶ A couple skates along a path in the snow on Grenadier Pond in Toronto's High Park yesterday.

Mentally ill need more community help: Panel

Police, the courts and hospital emergency rooms spend too much time dealing with people with mental health issues who aren't getting needed supports in the community, concludes an expert panel set up by the Ontario government.

The advisory group on mental health and addictions is calling for more investment in community-based services, noting Ontario spends less than most other G8 nations in that area, but spends much more per capita on hospital services.

$3B Ontario spends nearly $3 billion a year on mental health and addiction services, plus another $2.5 billion in law enforcement services to deal with people who have mental health issues.

"This heavy investment in hospital-based services has not resulted in a measurable improvement in mental health. Instead, we see the need for services growing," concludes the group's report.

"If we can get the health investment right, we can reduce many of the social costs associated with mental illnesses and addictions."

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News in brief

Man accused of slashing throat denied bail

JAMAICA. An Ontario teacher accused of slashing his wife's throat and leaving her for dead on a dirt road near a popular Jamaican resort has been denied bail.

A court official said yesterday that the next court hearing for Paul Martin, 43, of Ajax, is scheduled for Jan. 21.

Flu reports see room for improvement

HEALTH. Canada needs to be better prepared to handle an influenza pandemic, two major reports said yesterday.

More than two dozen recommendations emerged in separate reports that were released by the Public Health Agency of Canada and a Senate committee that examined the H1N1 pandemic of 2009.

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Terrorist plot in Denmark thwarted

The group was planning to enter a newspaper office and kill as many as possible, Danish intelligence says

Police in Denmark and Sweden halted an imminent terrorist attack yesterday by arresting five men who planned to shoot as many people as possible in a building housing the newsroom of a paper that published cartoons of the Prophet Muhammad, officials said.

Denmark's intelligence service said that after months of surveillance it arrested four men in two raids in the suburbs of the capital, Copenhagen, and seized a submachine gun, a silencer and ammunition. Swedish police said they arrested a 37-year-old Swedish citizen of Tunisian origin living in Stockholm.

"An imminent terror attack has been foiled," said Jakob Scharf, head of the Danish Security and Intelligence Service, or PET.

PET said it seized a 44-year-old Tunisian, a 29-year-old Lebanese-born man and a 30-year-old. All were living in Sweden. The final person is a 26-year-old Iraqi asylum-seeker living in Copenhagen.

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Prior plots

There have been at least four plots to attack Jyllands-Posten or Kurt Westergaard, the artist who drew the most contentious of 12 cartoons, which were published by the newspaper in 2005.

- The cartoons also provoked massive and violent protests in 2006 in Muslim countries where demonstrators considered the drawings as having profoundly insulted Islam. Islamic law generally opposes any depiction of the prophet, even favourable, for fear it could lead to idolatry.

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▶ Danish Intelligence Service head Jakob Scharf, right, and his Swedish colleague Lars Danielsson, during a press conference yesterday in Copenhagen.

Twisting the truth earns man bragging rights

A Wisconsin man has earned bragging rights as the champion liar of 2010 with this line: "I almost had a psychic girlfriend but she left me before we met."

David Milz, 49, told The Associated Press he came up with the one-liner over the summer when he was joking around with colleagues. He thought it might be good enough to win the Burlington Liars Club's annual contest, but the call he received yesterday was still a surprise.

"I almost had a psychic girlfriend but she left me before we met."
DAVID MILZ, CHAMPION LIAR OF 2010

"I was just shocked when I heard I won," the Bristol man said. "Hey, it's a resume builder."

The liars' club started in 1929 as a lighthearted way to honour the creativity and humour of good exaggeration. A lifetime membership costs $1, but anyone can submit fibs for free.

About 500 entries came in this year from around the United States, with most from the Midwest, club vice-president Ed Impens said. He and two other judges sifted through the entries this week and each made a Top10 list.

Milz's entry was the only one that made all three lists, Impens said.

"It had all three of the things we think are important: It's fairly short, humour is very important, and it's timely," he said.

The liars' club is based in Burlington, a town of about 15,000, about 55 kilometres southwest of Milwaukee. It has almost 2,500 members around the world, president Joel Weis said.

Milz is the superintendent of an elementary and middle school district in southeastern Wisconsin. He said he wasn't worried that his lying might encourage students to stretch the truth themselves.

"I'm going to work it the other way — 'You can't pull wool over the eyes of a champion liar,' "he joked.

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Runners-up

- **Ellen Everts of New London** "My luck is so bad that if I bought a cemetery, people would stop dying."
- **Daryl Lockwood of Waupaca** "My neighbour's scarecrow was so good that the crows brought back the corn they stole last year."

Award for dumbest criminal goes to...

Police in Chatham, Ont., have picked their "dumbest criminal of the year."

The winner called police after three men were released with court dates following a break and enter, leaving a voice message complaining that media information about the break and enter was inaccurate.

Police say the caller identified himself and explained how the crime occurred.

An honourable mention goes to a 17-year-old boy who called 911 because his father broke his bong when the man caught him smoking pot. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Leader's return signals waning insurgency

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▶ Hajji Fazluddin Agha

An influential tribal leader with close ties to the Afghan president has returned to a key area in Kandahar. The Canadian military is heralding Hajji Fazluddin Agha's return as a sign that the insurgency's presence in the Panjwaii is waning.

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Passenger punches teen over iPhone

Police say an Idaho man on a Southwest Airlines flight from Las Vegas punched a teenage passenger who refused to turn off his iPhone as the plane approached the Boise airport.

Officers arrested 68-year-old Russell E. Miller, of Boise, late Tuesday on suspicion of misdemeanour battery.

Witnesses told police the teen was playing games and listening to music on his cellphone when flight attendants told passengers to turn off their electronic devices as the plane landed.

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LOONIE GAINS GROUND

The Canadian dollar closed higher against its American counterpart yesterday amid a mixed picture on commodity markets. The loonie was up 0.58 of a cent from Friday's close to 99.94 cents US after moving above parity earlier in the day.

Higher oil prices and strong equity markets have been supportive of the loonie, which is up about four and a half cents this year.

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Poynt apps get Yellow Pages info

Mobile local search services provider Poynt Corp. says it has inked a five-year agreement with Yellow Pages Group to receive content on Canadian businesses for its phone applications.

Poynt said it will pay an annual licensing fee. In return, the company will use Yellow Pages information on its applications for the BlackBerry, iPhone, Android and Windows Phone 7 smartphones.

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BP pulls back from brink after oil spill disaster

- Driller has moved aggressively to shore up finances
- Dividend suspended, assets sales raise $21 billion

As the Gulf oil spill gushed out of control, BP's financial liabilities seemed big enough to sink the company. No more.

Cleanup, government fines, lawsuits, legal fees and damage claims will likely exceed the $40 billion US that BP has publicly estimated, according to an Associated Press analysis. But they will be far less than the highest estimates made over the summer by legal experts and prominent Wall Street banks, such as Goldman Sachs, which said costs could near $200 billion.

BP will survive the worst oil spill in U.S. history for several key reasons:

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BP CEO Bob Dudley

It has little debt; its global businesses are forecast to generate $26 billion next year in cash flow from operations; the environmental impact of the spill isn't as bad as feared; and the U.S. government seems unlikely to ban BP from Gulf drilling.

The AP analysis shows the company is likely to face $38 billion to $60 billion in spill-related costs. A settlement with the federal government could reduce that amount, while a successful class-action lawsuit could add billions more.

BP may be able to spread the spill's costs around. Minority partners Anadarko Petroleum Corp. and MOEX 2007 LLC own 35 per cent of the operation, and rig owner Transocean Ltd. also may be asked to pay. FBR analyst Robert MacKenzie expects BP to get as much as $2 billion from Transocean and as much as $4 billion from Anadarko.

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Canadians expected to tighten their belts

Canadians are likely to find themselves less inclined to part with their money in 2011 as consumer confidence remains subdued at the close of 2010, according to economists.

Bank of Montreal economist Robert Kavic expects lower spending by consumers, especially in the housing sector, even though interest rates are expected to remain stable.

Canadian consumer confidence is ending the year on a subdued note, despite an upswing early in 2010, according to a Harris/Decima phone survey that measured confidence at 82.8 in November, little changed from a third-quarter reading. The poll found that Quebec and the Prairies were the most confident.

British Columbia was the least confident.

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RESOLUTIONS THAT PASS THE SMELL TEST

He says ...

JOHN MAZEROLLE

So, I was planning to write about how New Year's resolutions are stupid. But then — like so many doubters before me — I noticed that my dirty dishes were stuck together.

I tried to lift a cup in my sink and several pieces came up in one clump, not unlike Crunch n' Munch. That's when my little shoulder angel guy — he's a bachelor like me — appeared and said, "Dude, you need some resolutions."

And it's true.

Since my divorce a couple of years ago, I've been repeating my life up to that point: First as a snivelling child, then as a randy teenager, and now I'm back to my early 20s, where Pop Tarts are breakfast and pants are optional. I'm a bachelor through and through — not in the "most eligible," wearing-a-sport-coat kind of way, but in the "most irresponsible," wearing-jogging-pants kind of way.

With that in mind, I will embrace the following resolutions, so by 2012 I will be a better man — an adult one, hopefully.

John's 2011 resolutions:

When the smell makes it so I must choose between washing the dishes and Febreezing the area around the sink, I will do the dishes. Or at least throw them out.

I resolve to never again use the can-I-wear-it smell test.

> **"That's when my little shoulder angel guy — he's a bachelor like me — appeared and said, 'Dude, you need some resolutions.' "**

I further resolve that, if I am forced to use the smell test, I will not keep smelling the article of the clothing until I find a spot fresh enough to justify wearing it.

I resolve to reflect upon why so many of my problems involve smelling things.

I resolve to never again make too-small underwear fit comfortably by cutting through the bands around the leg holes.

When I kill an insect that has crawled out of the loveseat, I will look to see if there are others, rather than assuming that a toothpick with its thorax on it will serve as a warning to the other insects to stay where they are.

I will use that square-ish thing in the kitchen — not the thing that keeps the beer cold and the cheese crusty, but the other thing, with the four circles of pain on top.

I resolve to *continue* using the steam from the shower to iron my clothes instead of buying an iron, because that just makes sense.

I pledge to do all these things. Or at the very least, cover the smell with Pledge.

Read more of John Mazerolle's columns at metronews.ca/hesays

Cartoon

MICHAEL DE ADDER

Going back to their roots

Worth mentioning

A plant by any other name

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British and U.S. scientists say they have compiled the most comprehensive list of land plant species ever published — a 300,000-species strong compendium they hope will boost conservation, trade and medicine.

The list, drawn up by researchers at Kew Gardens in London and the Missouri Botanical Garden in St. Louis, is intended to help resolve one of botany's most basic problems: Figuring out which plants go by what name.

Some plants have been labelled differently by researchers operating in different countries over the past century, while in other cases the different variants of the same plant have been erroneously identified as belonging to different species. There are also cases in which plants names' have been applied mistakenly, or just misspelled.

Although a rose by any other name may still smell as sweet, scientists say that attaching different labels to the same plant can rob researchers of the chance to get the information they need.

"If you only know it by one of its many names you only get part of the story," said Eimear Nic Lughadha, the senior scientist at Kew responsible for the list.

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What's your New Year's resolution?

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If part of your New Year's resolution involves cutting down on your chocolate consumption, well, good luck to you, brave one. You may as well prepare for your *annus horribilus* by giving it one last super indulgent go.

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10 overlooked films

Don't miss these hidden gems that may have escaped you first time round

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According to movie web.com, 648 movies were released in theatres in 2010. At an average of an hour-and-a-half each that's 972 hours of film. Viewed continuously it would take almost 41 complete days to see them all.

Here are some of 2010's releases you may have missed but are worth a look.

▶ Michael Cera stars in Scott Pilgrim vs. The World.

Scott Pilgirm vs. The World
Scott Pilgrim vs. The World stars Michael Cera as a 22-year-old Torontonian who must defeat his girlfriend's Seven Evil Exes if he wants to be with her. It's a wild ride that nails the pop culture zeitgeist but also tells a universal human story.

Splice
In Splice a creature goes from newborn to troubled teen in just a matter of weeks. Starring Sarah Polley and Adrien Brody, it's giddy good fun; the rare sci fi flick that revels in its b-movie roots while also offering up something to think about.

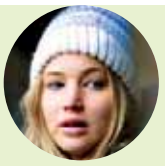
Cyrus
Cyrus is an odd movie. It's about a lonely guy, the woman of his dreams ... and her quirky son played by Jonah Hill. Not quite a comedy, not quite a drama, it falls somewhere in between. Just like real life.

Get Low
Get Low, the unlikely story of a man arranging his own funeral, took on three hankie status as Robert Duvall played an old man looking back on his wasted life.

Harry Brown
Michael Caine has rarely been better than he is in Harry Brown, a gritty Teabag Western about an old man in the Elephant and Castle section of London who strikes back after a gang kills his best mate.

Flipped
Rob Reiner's Flipped is coming-of-age Rashômon filtered through Leave it to Beaver with a dash of The Wonder Years thrown in for good measure. In other words, it's a touching, but idiosyncratic film about growing up.

The Disappearance of Alice Creed
The kidnapping drama The Disappearance of Alice Creed features three characters, three, maybe four sets and one hundred minutes of unrelenting tension. It's a nasty little piece of work, remorselessly bleak but carefully crafted enough to be intriguing.



Winter's Bone
Winter's Bone should be seen not only for its uncompromising story of an Ozark girl who will do anything to keep her family together, but also for the breakout performance of its star Jennifer Lawrence.

Defendor
In Defendor Woody Harrelson plays a man whose rich inner life spills out into his real life. By day he's dead-end-job-Arthur but at night he's superhero Defendor. Gritty and funny, Harrelson breathes life into a role that could easily have fallen into cliché.

Marwencol
Marwencol, a documentary about a man with a severe brain injury who creates his own world as therapy is one of the funniest, most touching and inspirational films of the year.

Fernandes, Stereos set to rock Toronto in to 2011

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New Year's Eve can be one of the most difficult nights to plan for. With so many options — and expectations for a great experience — it can leave some feeling burdened.

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▶ Stereos is among the groups performing New Year's Eve.

Those who want to be part of the action can check out Nathan Phillips Square to see the whole thing live.

Starting at 10 p.m. on Friday, the 26th annual Citytv New Year's Eve Bash is slated to be one of the evening's hottest affair.

"The opportunity to play something like this where you get to share an experience with the whole country at once? Money can't buy that," says Stereos vocalist Pat Kordyback.

The pop/rock quintet, which just released their second album Uncontrollable, is among the musical acts performing at the bash.

"To be asked to be a part of this national event is huge for us. … What a great way to start a new year," Kordyback says.

Singer Danny Fernandes says this will be his second time participating in the event, and he plans to hit the stage and kick-start 2011 in style. "I got to bring in 2009 this way," he says. "The audience showed me so much love, it was amazing; a great feeling. Now that I'm a bit more established, I'm already getting a rush for it."

Event details

- **What:** 26th Annual Citytv New Year's Eve Bash
- **Location:** Nathan Phillips Square (100 Queen St. W)
- **Time:** 10 pm
- **Price:** Free
- **Hosts:** Citytv personalities Gord Martineau, Tracy Moore, Kevin Frankish and Dina Pugliese
- **Musical guests:** Shawn Desman, Danny Fernandes, Stereos, These Kids Wear Crowns, Divine Brown, Blake McGrath with special holiday messages by primetime show stars throughout.

2 scene

Scene in brief

John Leguizamo is readying the latest installment of his life for a Broadway run.

The 46-year-old comedian-actor will bring a new one-man autobiographical show, Ghetto Klown, to the Lyceum Theater beginning Feb. 21. The show officially opens March 22 and runs 12 weeks.

Ghetto Klown will delve into the early days of Leguizamo's acting career and his roles in Hollywood. It will follow in the tradition of his shows Spic-O-Rama, Freak and Sexaholix.

The new one, to be fine-tuned in Chicago in February, will be directed by Fisher Stevens.

Leguizamo won an Emmy for his monologue Freak, which originally appeared on Broadway in 1998.

He was nominated for a Golden Globe Award for his supporting role in 1995's To Wong Foo Thanks for Everything, Julie Newmar.

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It's a boy for John & Furnish

Sir Elton John is holding close a new tiny dancer.

The piano man and husband David Furnish have become parents to a seven-pound, 15-ounce baby boy born on Christmas Day.

The news was first reported Monday night by USMagazine.com and confirmed to The Associated Press by John's Los Angeles-based publicist.

Zachary Jackson Levon Furnish-John was born in California via a surrogate, whose identity is being protected by the new parents.

Zachary is 62-year-old John's first child with the 48-year-old Furnish. The couple married in 2005.

In a joint statement, the new parents told US-Magazine.com that "Zachary is healthy and doing well" and they are "overwhelmed with happiness and joy at this very special moment."

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▶ Sir Elton John, left, and husband David Furnish have become parents to a seven-pound, 15-ounce baby boy born on Christmas Day.

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Canadian filmmakers ready for a big 2011

It's shaping up to be a busy 2011 for some of Canada's hottest filmmakers. From futuristic sci-fi to psychological drama to a magical chronicle of India's burgeoning independence, homegrown directors are tackling a broad slate of themes and genres. A look at some of the upcoming projects from the country's biggest stars:

David Cronenberg: Canada's twisted master at psychological tension is reportedly in the midst of post-production on the Sigmund Freud film, A Dangerous Method. Already, it looks set to become a controversial release — reports suggest it features sado-masochistic sex scenes.

Jason Reitman: There's a pattern developing here. Reitman re-teams with Juno scribe Diablo Cody several years after their winning combination on the quirky teen pregnancy hit for the mid-life crisis film, Young Adult.

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▶ David Cronenberg

Neill Blomkamp: OK, so he's actually South African, but the special effects wizard behind District 9 is based in Vancouver and has been here since his late teens. Blomkamp says he's spending much of the coming year working on another other-worldly followup, Elysium. The feature is said to be set in the far future on another planet but Blomkamp is keeping details tightly under wraps.

Sarah Polley: She earned an Oscar-nomination for her first script, Away From Her, and now Polley has turned to another of her own screenplays for her second feature, Take This Waltz. Last summer, Polley said the romantic drama focuses on a married couple played by Michelle Williams and Seth Rogen.

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Witherspoon gets engaged

Reese Witherspoon is engaged to Hollywood agent Jim Toth.

A representative for the actress confirmed that the couple will wed and says they're "extremely happy." The engagement was first reported by Us Weekly.

The 34-year-old actress was previously married to actor Ryan Phillippe. She has two children with him and they divorced in 2008.

Toth is an agent for Creative Artists Agency. Witherspoon is a CAA client but is represented by another agent.

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▶ Reese Witherspoon

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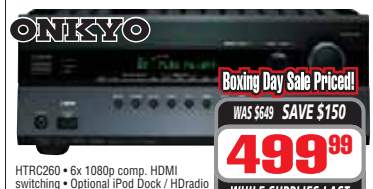

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Minimalism mania
Phoebe Philo started the trend in 2009 with her modern, tailored debut at Céline. And then the rest of the fashion world followed in 2010. From the Paris runways to Zara, nearly everyone was churning out their own versions of razor sharp jackets and A-line leather skirts.

American Apparel
Addled with major debt and a stream of lawsuits, Dov Charney's empire seemed like it was constantly on the verge of folding. AA has expanded its offerings of leggings to include leisure pants.

Up and down

Lady Gaga
In the history of Metro's fashion polls, she's the only artist to top both the worst and best-dressed lists. Whether she was walking the red carpet in a dress made of meat, ripping off Madonna's entire Blonde Ambition wardrobe, or showing up to a Yankees game in a bra and panties, someone in the world was either really, really pissed off or really, really happy about it.

Blake Lively
In the eyes of fashion editors, the Gossip Girl star could do no wrong. She not only appeared on the cover of American Vogue two times this year, she's also rumoured to be the next face of Chanel.

Jersey Shore
Bar brawls aside, the self-proclaimed "guidos and guidettes" are most guilty of glorifying airbrushed jeans, Sopranos shirts, Cesar haircuts and bad spray tans.

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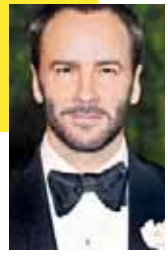

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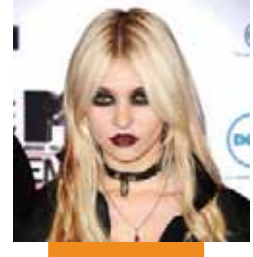
Representing for oversexed teens everywhere, Disney star Cyrus spent the countdown to her 18th birthday progressively wearing less and less. Her style of choice? Trailer park chic. Meanwhile, 17-year-old Taylor Momsen opted for the equally cringe-worthy Playboy-Bunny-turns-goth look. METRO



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"The palette is fresh and light filled. Creams and pale camels are infused with warmth and contrast through the mid-tone woods — the kitchen cabinets, the round walnut dining table — and the subtle patterns of the carpets, window treatments, and pillows.

"A paler scheme helps to expand the space," Di Menna said.

In the main area of living, dining and kitchen, Di Menna kept to a minimal furniture plan with a sofa, chair and coffee table in more tailored lines and less bulky, shallower consoles tucked into niches at the perimeter or against a wall to keep them out of the way.

To save space, Menna gave the granite counter on the kitchen island just enough overhang to accommodate two upholstered stools.

Hardwood flooring in the common areas creates contrast but in the bedrooms Di Menna went with a high-quality broadloom carpet to both expand the space and allow the floor to feel soft and comforting to walk on.

To make efficient use of space in the master bedroom, Di Menna deftly added storage without adding undue bulk by choosing sleek, space-conscious furniture.

"Although the master has a walk-in closet, I've added three dressers. Having such a slim low profile, with barely-there hardware, they don't intrude into the space at all and in fact complement it by adding a dark contrast to an otherwise creamy palette," Di Menna said.

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The big colour for 2010: Pink?

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Each new year introduces new decor trends, and one of the biggest this upcoming year is the bold and optimistic colour of pink.

The Pantone Colour Institute recently named honeysuckle the colour for 2011.

Not since the late 1950s have we seen this colour used as a decorating staple.

Keeping in mind that women did most of the home decorating in the '50s, I'm wondering whether the male population will be accepting of this new, bold colour.

Using the hue sparingly is the key to introducing this year's biggest colour into your space.

A shot of pink will add an upbeat feeling to almost any deep neutral tones — especially charcoal and dark brown.

Excited about pink but don't want your space to look like a teenage girl's bedroom? Here are a few decorating suggestions to incorporate it without going overboard.

ACCESSORIZE IT PINK

Decorative accessories like glass vases, leather ottomans and area rugs are a great way to add the colour to a room without overbearing it.

Remember the rule with accessories: three items of pink in any room will add enough impact. Any more will be overkill.

To keep a masculine look, make sure the amount of pink in a patterned rug or pillow is less than 30 per cent.

The Delizia Rug from Crate and Barrel adds just enough pink to stay on trend and keeps the guys happy.

PAINT IT PINK

A full wall of pink might be overpowering, so I suggest using it on a wall where large items will be sitting against it, breaking up the expanse of colour.

A back wall in the dining room with a large hutch sitting in front is a great example.

Also, consider painting a wall that isn't being viewed within a seating arrangement.

Benjamin Moore's Rosy Blush 2083-30 is my choice for a delicious pink wall.

Also, painting an old piece of furniture bright pink will add an instant focal point to any space.

COOK IT PINK

Check out Bodum's electric kettles and toasters in great bright colours.

Their thermal jug brings a touch of pink into any room you carry your coffee.

FABRICS

Printed bedding, towels and upholstery fabric are most likely the easiest way to introduce pink to a room.

Look for it with other colours like dark khaki green, orange, grey or chocolate brown. Those colours will help sway the pink into a masculine tone.

Remember to make sure the trend colour is less than 30 per cent of the overall pattern. Ikea's Andrea Satin duvet and pillows remind me of the colours in a swanky tie. Team with chocolate brown sheets and you've come on trend with this year's biggest colour.

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My companion gets 10 Famous Wings ($10.25) — Medium-Hot — served with celery and dipping sauce. Some wings are cold. The Dill dip is fantastic, fresh and zippy without being heavy.

Duff's Crispy Chicken Sandwich ($10.45), crispy breaded chicken breast on a soft bun, is smothered in your choice of sauce, topped with lettuce, tomato and onions and served with fries. Hot Honey Garlic sauce, which again isn't quite hot, is nonetheless a nice combination of sweet and slight heat. I know there's potential here. I tasted it.

STEPHANIE DICKISON

Duff's Famous Wings got a less than rave review from our restaurant reviewer.

- **Duff's Famous Wings**
- **1604 Bayview Ave.**
- **416-544-0100**
- **duffsfamouswings.ca**
- **Hours: Mon & Wed 11 a.m. – 11 p.m., Tues & Thurs 11 a.m. – 12 a.m., Fri & Sat 11 a.m. – 1 a.m., Sun 12 p.m. – 11 p.m.**
- **Rating: ****
- **Price range: $1.50 - $47.00**
- **Reservations: No**

Creamy Tortellini

Ingredients:

- 3 cups refrigerated cheese tortellini
- 2 tsp minced garlic
- 2 tbsp vegetable oil
- 1 envelope vegetable soup mix
- 2 cups half-and-half cream
- 1/4 cup minced fresh parsley
- 1/4 cup shredded part-skim mozzarella cheese
- 1/4 tsp pepper

Creamy Tortellini Preparation:

1. Cook tortellini according to package directions. Meanwhile in large skillet, sauté garlic in oil until tender. In small bowl, combine soup mix and cream; stir well into skillet.
2. Drain tortellini; add to cream mixture. Bring to boil. Reduce heat; simmer, uncovered, 4-5 minutes or until heated through, stirring occasionally.
3. Add parsley, cheese and pepper. Cook 3-4 minutes longer or until cheese is melted.

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4 sports

Crosby and Co. year's top team

Canadian men's Olympic squad a clear pick as the best of 2010

Thirteen days of anxiety and expectation exploded in a coast-to-coast roar of joy as Sidney Crosby scored in overtime to give Canada the medal it wanted most at the 2010 Winter Olympics — the men's hockey gold.

That moment in Vancouver and the victory in the sport on which so much Canadian pride rests has led the men's Olympic hockey squad to be named the team of the year in an annual survey of the country's newsrooms by The Canadian Press.

It came on the final day in Vancouver as a flood of medals went to the host country. The men's hockey medal was Canada's 14th gold of the Games, a record for a country at a single Winter Olympics.

"The pressure of the world and the entire country was on us to go out and not disappoint," Team Canada centre Jonathan Toews said in an interview. "To beat some pretty good teams on the way to the gold medal was amazing. Everyone's trying to knock you off and the pressure's all on you, so for us to find a way to win was amazing."

Peak television ratings had more than 80 per cent of Canadians watching as their team pulled out a 3-2 victory in the final against an opportunistic American squad that had chilled a country's heart with an upset 5-3 win in the preliminary round.

With Canada leading 2-1 in the gold-medal game, U.S. coach Ron Wilson pulled goaltender Ryan Miller for an extra attacker and Zach Parise scored to force overtime with 25 seconds left in regulation time.

After Canada survived a close call in the extra period, Crosby barrelled into the American zone and put the puck into the left corner, then shouted "Iggy!" as he broke toward Miller and fired Jarome Iginla's pass into the net.

Crosby threw his stick and gloves in the air in triumph before he was mobbed on the ice by his teammates, while red-and-white clad fans leapt and hugged each other after a goal that became a classic.

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Team Canada easily took first place in a survey of sports editors and broadcasters with 279 points. The Grey Cup-champion Montreal Alouettes were a distant second with 75 points, followed by the Olympic women's hockey team at 63 points.

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▶ Team Canada celebrates after Sidney Crosby scored the gold medal-winning goal.

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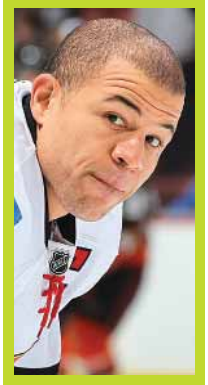

"Everybody isn't walking on eggshells and staring at each other wondering. I'm fortunate I'm an older player. It's not like it would be a surprise move and I could be traded tomorrow. There is a process, so that worry is not there."
FLAMES CAPTAIN JAROME IGINLA

"When you're younger, if you don't have a no-move, or no-trade, it can be very abrupt and I guess you worry about that more."
IGINLA

Scan code for sports

Leafs send Kadri back to the Marlies

The Maple Leafs sent rookie forward Nazem Kadri back down to the Toronto Marlies of the American Hockey League yesterday.

The 20-year-old centre recorded six assists in 17 games with the Maple Leafs.

Kadri will sit out his first two games with the Marlies. He was given a two-game suspension by the AHL shortly after he was called up by the Leafs last month.

Kadri received the ban as a result of his actions in a 5-1 victory over the Adirondack Phantoms on Nov. 11. He was given slashing and unsportsmanlike conduct minors along with a game misconduct.

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14 **Kadri has 14 points (5 goals, 9 assists) in 14 AHL games this season.**

▶ Kadri

Sports in brief

Canada gets second crack at HC Davos

SPENGLER. Canada has a return engagement with HC Davos at the Spengler Cup.

Defenceman Micki Dupont's power-play goal in overtime earned Canada a 4-3 quarter-final victory over Sparta Prague yesterday. The victory moves the team into a semifinal showdown with the host Davos squad, which edged the Canadians 3-2 on Tuesday.

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Dome repair will take time

METRODOME. The snow-damaged Metrodome roof won't be fixed until at least March, affecting hundreds of U.S. college baseball games and forcing the Minnesota Twins to find a new venue for their annual winter festival, a facility official said yesterday.

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Opinion

ADAM PROTEAU
THE HOCKEY NEWS

DRAFT MAY BE LEAFS' ONLY HOPE

The other night, on my Twitter feed (twitter.com/proteautype), I said: (a) the Maple Leafs got stuck in a wintry hell for five hours after their Boxing Day game in New Jersey (stranded on a freeway, thanks to the East Coast snowstorm); and (b) their fans have been stuck in a wintry hell since Toronto last played a playoff game more than six years ago.

In truth, the agony of Leafs fans dates back to the year that's never mentioned anymore around the team's headquarters: 1967. (Google "Leafs" and "67" for a full explanation.) That's why there's deep, ongoing angst over the Phil Kessel trade, why Nazem Kadri's every muscle twinge is overanalyzed and why customers at the Air Canada Centre have resorted to throwing breakfast foods on the ice.

In short, people have lost it, big time, in Toronto. And I'm afraid the only way they will be cured of their anguish is by the Leafs rebuilding through the draft.

I know Brian Burke doesn't agree with this, both by his actions since becoming Leafs GM a couple of years ago and by the many loud pronouncements he's made in playing down the benefits of a draft-first philosophy.

As Burke has noted, the Penguins landed superstar Sidney Crosby because a ping-pong ball fell Pittsburgh's way during the draft lottery — and depending on ping-pong balls isn't the way to build a team. That said, there is no denying that the higher you select in any given draft year, the better chance you have of selecting a player to build a franchise around.

One thing is increasingly clear in the salary-capped NHL: Teams don't willingly part with the services of franchise players; rather, they re-sign them.

(Sure, the Bruins allowed Kessel to walk away, and the Calgary Flames gave up on Dion Phaneuf, but neither has established himself as on par with Crosby or Nicklas Lidstrom.)

Burke may have some more tricks up his sleeves, but I don't see how he lands that franchise player unless he concedes failure with his current plan and turns to the draft process he claims to distrust.

Favre photo flap ends with fine

Brett Favre has been fined $50,000 US by the NFL for a "failure to co-operate" with its investigation into inappropriate messages and lewd photos he allegedly sent to former Jets employee Jenn Sterger, a decision her lawyer called extremely disappointing.

The league said yesterday that commissioner Roger Goodell "could not conclude" that Favre violated the league's personal conduct policy based on the evidence currently available to him."

"The forensic analysis could not establish that Favre sent the objectionable photographs to Sterger," the statement said. "The review found no evidence to contradict the statements of both Favre and Sterger that they never met in person, nor was there anything to suggest that Sterger engaged in any inappropriate conduct."

The decision comes a couple weeks after Favre's NFL record for consecutive starts was snapped at 297 and ahead of the season finale for the 41-year-old Minnesota Vikings quarterback, who will play what may be his last game — if he's healthy enough.

The NFL said its sole focus was on whether Favre violated workplace conduct policy, not to "make judgments about the appropriateness of personal relationships."

Favre's fine will help fund a new training program on workplace conduct around the NFL, Goodell said in a memo sent to clubs, though for the multimillionaire QB the penalty is a pittance. While sitting out Tuesday's game at Philadelphia because of post-concussion symptoms, Favre essentially earned $50,000 over about five minutes of action.

"It clearly shows that an NFL star player was given preferential treatment and tells all other players that failure to co-operate may cost you some money but will not result in other punishment," said Sterger lawyer Joseph Conway, who added there was "ample evidence" the photos were of Favre.

"Additionally, today's decision is an affront to all females and shows once again that, despite tough talk, the NFL remains the good old boys' league."

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Video evidence

The allegations against the three-time MVP surfaced on the website Deadspin.

- The popular sports blog posted a video on Oct. 7 that included text messages and voice mails allegedly left by Favre for Sterger in 2008, when they both worked for the Jets, including one in which he invites her to his hotel.
- The video ends with several below-the-belt photos — said to be of Favre — which were allegedly sent to Sterger.

EPL. Gunners draw

▶ Arsenal's Andrey Arshavin, right, scores their first goal against Wigan yesterday.

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Arsenal still looking up at league leaders

Arsenal drew 2-2 at 10-man Wigan to miss a chance to draw level with joint Premier League leaders Manchester United and Manchester City, while Chelsea ended a run of six matches without a win by grinding out a 1-0 victory against Bolton yesterday. France defender Sebastien Squillaci scored an own goal in the 81st minute to deny Arsenal all three points at DW Stadium. Ben Watson had put Wigan ahead before the Gunners rallied through goals by Andrey Arshavin and Nicklas Bendtner. Liverpool was upset 1-0 at home to lowly Wolverhampton in the other match.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Pittsburgh	38	25	11	2	0	125	89	52	13-6-1-0	12-5-1-0	7-3-0-0	W1
d-Washington	39	22	12	2	3	117	105	49	14-4-1-3	8-8-1-0	4-4-1-1	W2
d-Boston	35	20	11	1	3	100	74	44	9-6-1-2	11-5-0-1	6-3-1-0	W3
Philadelphia	36	22	9	2	3	119	93	49	12-6-0-2	10-3-2-1	7-2-0-1	L2
Tampa Bay	37	21	11	3	2	115	120	47	10-3-1-1	11-8-2-1	6-2-1-1	L1
NY Rangers	37	21	14	1	1	115	97	44	9-8-1-1	12-6-0-0	6-3-0-1	W1
Atlanta	39	19	14	2	4	123	117	44	10-7-1-2	9-7-1-2	4-3-1-2	L4
Montreal	37	20	15	2	0	93	86	42	12-5-2-0	8-10-0-0	3-7-0-0	L2
Carolina	35	16	15	0	4	98	108	36	7-7-0-1	9-8-0-3	4-4-0-2	W1
Ottawa	37	16	17	3	1	86	108	36	9-9-1-1	7-8-2-0	5-3-2-0	W2
Buffalo	37	15	18	4	0	98	108	34	8-10-1-0	7-8-3-0	4-5-1-0	W1
Florida	34	16	17	0	1	93	89	33	7-6-0-1	9-11-0-0	5-4-0-1	L1
Toronto	35	13	18	2	2	82	107	30	8-8-2-1	5-10-0-1	4-6-0-0	L1
NY Islanders	34	9	19	3	3	78	114	24	6-7-1-2	3-12-2-1	4-5-0-1	L1
New Jersey	35	9	24	1	1	61	112	20	5-10-1-1	4-14-0-0	1-9-0-0	L5

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
d-Detroit	36	23	9	3	1	121	100	50	13-4-2-1	10-5-1-0	6-3-1-0	W2
d-Vancouver	35	22	8	3	2	121	90	49	13-3-1-1	9-5-2-1	7-1-2-0	W3
d-Dallas	37	22	11	1	3	106	98	48	12-4-1-2	10-7-0-1	6-2-1-1	W1
Los Angeles	35	22	12	1	0	106	78	45	13-2-1-0	9-10-0-0	7-2-1-0	W4
Colorado	36	19	12	5	0	125	117	43	10-6-2-0	9-6-3-0	6-2-2-0	L3
San Jose	36	19	12	4	1	106	100	43	10-5-2-1	9-7-2-0	6-3-0-1	L1
St. Louis	36	19	12	2	3	95	97	43	13-4-0-2	6-8-2-1	6-3-0-1	W4
Chicago	38	20	15	2	1	120	108	43	12-9-0-0	8-6-2-1	6-3-1-0	L1
Anaheim	40	19	17	2	2	102	116	42	11-6-0-1	8-11-2-1	5-4-0-1	W1
Nashville	36	17	13	4	2	87	91	40	8-4-3-2	9-9-1-0	5-5-0-0	L5
Phoenix	35	16	12	4	3	92	100	39	6-5-2-2	10-7-2-1	4-5-0-1	L1
Columbus	36	18	15	2	1	93	105	39	10-9-0-1	8-6-2-0	4-5-1-0	W1
Minnesota	35	16	14	1	4	86	100	37	8-8-0-2	8-6-1-2	6-2-1-1	L2
Calgary	37	16	18	1	2	100	107	35	10-7-0-0	6-11-1-2	5-4-0-1	W2
Edmonton	35	12	17	1	5	91	120	30	6-9-1-1	6-8-1-3	3-5-0-2	L4

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Last night's results
N.Y. Rangers at New Jersey
Pittsburgh at N.Y. Islanders
Carolina at Ottawa
San Jose at Minnesota
Detroit at Dallas
Los Angeles at Phoenix
Tuesday's results
Vancouver 6 Philadelphia 2
Buffalo 4 Edmonton 2
Carolina 4 Toronto 3
Washington 3 Montreal 0
Anaheim 3 Phoenix 1
Boston 4 Tampa Bay 3
Pittsburgh 6 Atlanta 3
Dallas 4 Nashville 2
St. Louis 3 Chicago 1
Tonight's games
(All times Eastern)
Columbus at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Boston at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Montreal at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
San Jose at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Colorado at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
Philadelphia at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

LATE TUESDAY

CANUCKS 6, FLYERS 2

First Period
1. Vancouver, Malhotra 6 (Ehrhoff, Torres) 15:46
Penalties — Malhotra Vcr (interference) 9:45, Powe Pha (boarding), Hansen Vcr (tripping) 12:40, Coburn Pha (cross-checking) 13:22, O'-Donnell Pha, Volpatti Vcr (roughing) 17:48, O'-Donnell Pha, Volpatti Vcr (fighting) 19:53.
Second Period
2. Vancouver, Kesler 18 (Bieksa) 0:56
3. Vancouver, D.Sedin 19 (Burrows, H.Sedin) 2:30
4. Philadelphia, Briere 17 (Leino) 3:29
5. Vancouver, Kesler 19 (H.Sedin, Ehrhoff) 5:21 (pp)
Penalties — Timonen Pha (hooking) 4:25, Volpatti Vcr (charging) 8:30.
Third Period
6. Vancouver, Hansen 4 (D. Sedin, H. Sedin) 0:51
7. Vancouver, Tambellini 9 (Kesler) 7:47
8. Philadelphia, Carter 14 (Briere, Giroux) 13:14 (pp)
Penalties — Bieksa Vcr (cross-checking) 9:56, Shelley Pha (match penalty), Glass Vcr (roughing), Ballard Vcr (delay of game) 12:29.
Shots

Philadelphia	8	17	12	37
Vancouver	22	14	13	49

Goal (shots-saves) — Philadelphia: Boucher (L,7-4-2) (28-24), Bobrovsky (5:21 second, 21-19); Vancouver: Luongo (W,17-8-3). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Philadelphia: 1-4; Vancouver: 1-3.
Att. — 18,810 at Vancouver.

SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
Crosby, Pgh	32	33	65
Stamkos, TB	29	23	52
St. Louis, TB	15	33	48
H.Sedin, Vcr	8	39	47
D.Sedin, Vcr	19	26	45
Perry, Ana	20	22	42
Ovechkin, Wash	14	28	42
B.Richards, Dal	16	25	41
Zetterberg, Det	13	28	41
Eriksson, Dal	16	23	39
Datsyuk, Det	12	27	39
Kopitar, LA	15	23	38
Byfuglien, Atl	14	24	38
Getzlaf, Ana	13	24	37
Sharp, Chi	20	16	36
E.Staal, Car	18	18	36
Duchene, Col	15	21	36
Backstrom, Wash	11	25	36
Semin, Wash	18	17	35
Roy, Buf	10	25	35
Kesler, Vcr	19	15	34
Iginla, Cal	15	19	34
D.Brown, LA	16	17	33
Toews, Chi	15	18	33
P.Stastny, Col	13	20	33
Lidstrom, Det	10	23	33
Giroux, Pha	16	16	32
Heatley, SJ	14	18	32
Malkin, Pgh	13	19	32
Hejduk, Col	11	21	32
M.Richards, Pha	11	21	32
Selanne, Ana	10	22	32
J.Thornton, SJ	8	24	32
Letang, Pgh	6	26	32
J.Williams, LA	14	17	31
Ladd, Atl	12	19	31
Clowe, SJ	9	22	31
Havlat, Minn	8	23	31

Not including last night's games

HOCKEY

IIHF WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

(All times Eastern)
PRELIMINARY ROUND
Group A

	GP	W	L	OTW	OTL	GF	GA	Pt
Finland	3	2	0	0	1	11	4	6
U.S.	2	1	0	1	0	9	3	5
Switzerland	2	1	1	0	0	4	7	3
Slovakia	2	0	1	1	0	3	7	2
Germany	3	0	2	0	1	5	11	1

Group B

	GP	W	L	OTW	OTL	GF	GA	Pt
Canada	**2**	**2**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**13**	**5**	**6**
Sweden	2	2	0	0	0	9	1	6
Czech Republic	2	1	1	0	0	4	7	3
Russia	2	0	2	0	0	3	8	0
Norway	2	0	2	0	0	1	9	0

Note: Three points for a regulation win, two for an overtime win and one for an overtime loss.
Yesterday's results
At Buffalo, N.Y.
Finland 5 Germany 1
Norway vs. **Canada**
Today's games
At Buffalo, N.Y.
Switzerland vs. Slovakia, 3 p.m.
Germany vs. U.S., 7 p.m.
At Lewiston, N.Y.
Sweden vs. Czech Republic, 3 p.m.
Russia vs. Norway, 7 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
At Buffalo, N.Y.
Slovakia vs. Finland, 12:30 p.m.
Canada vs. Sweden, 4 p.m.
U.S. vs. Switzerland, 8 p.m.
At Lewiston, N.Y.
Czech Republic vs. Russia, 7 p.m.
End Preliminary Round

2010 SPENGLER CUP

At Davos, Switzerland
(All times Eastern)
Pool A

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
SKA St. Petersburg	2	2	0	0	7	2	6
Geneve-Servette HC	2	1	1	0	5	6	3
Sparta Prague	2	0	2	0	4	8	0

Pool B

	GP	W	L	OL	GF	GA	Pt
Davos	2	2	0	0	7	4	6
Canada	**2**	**1**	**1**	**0**	**8**	**4**	**3**
Spartak Moscow	2	0	2	0	3	10	0

Note: Three points for a win, one for an overtime or shootout loss (registered under the OL column).
Yesterday's results
Quarter-finals
Geneve-Servette 2 Spartak Moscow 0
Canada 4 Sparta Prague 3 (OT)
Today's games
Semifinals
Geneve-Servette/Spartak Moscow, 9 a.m.
Davos vs. **Canada**, 2:15 p.m.

IIHF WORLD UNDER-17 CHALLENGE

(All times Eastern)
PRELIMINARY ROUND
Yesterday's results
At Portage la Prairie, Man.
Quebec 9 Atlantic 3
Czech Republic vs. Ontario
At Winnipeg
U.S. 5 Finland 2
West vs. Pacific
Today's games
At Portage la Prairie, Man.
U.S. vs. Germany, 4 p.m.
Quebec vs. Finland, 8:30 p.m.
At Winnipeg
Pacific vs. Czech Republic, 4 p.m.
Slovakia vs. Ontario, 8:30 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
At Portage la Prairie, Man.
Pacific vs. Slovakia, 4 p.m.
Finland vs. Atlantic, 8:30 p.m.
At Winnipeg
Quebec vs. Germany, 4 p.m.
Czech Republic vs. West, 8:30 p.m.

TRANSACTIONS

FOOTBALL

NFL

LEAGUE OFFICE — Fined Minnesota QB Brett Favre $50,000 for hindering a league investigation into his personal conduct.
DETROIT LIONS — Fined C Dominic Raiola $15,000 for his actions after the Lions beat Miami on Sunday.
GREEN BAY PACKERS — Signed LB Cardia Jackson to the practice squad. Released WR Terrance Smith.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Signed WR Buddy Farnham to the practice squad.
TAMPA BAY BUCCANEERS — Placed WR Arrelious Benn on injured reserve. Signed DT Doug Worthington from the practice squad.

HOCKEY

NHL

LEAGUE OFFICE — Suspended Philadelphia F Jody Shelley two games and fined him $26,829.27 in salary for a punch to the head of Vancouver D Andrew Alberts during Tuesday's game.
BOSTON BRUINS — Reassigned G Matt Dalton from Reading (ECHL) to Providence (AHL) and G Michael Hutchinson from Providence to Reading.
CAROLINA HURRICANES — Recalled F Jon Matsumoto and D Bryan Rodney from Charlotte (AHL) on an emergency basis.
NASHVILLE PREDATORS — Claimed F Marek Svatos off waivers from St. Louis.
NEW JERSEY DEVILS — Placed F Brian Rolston on re-entry waivers.
NEW YORK RANGERS — Assigned F Todd White to Connecticut (AHL).
OTTAWA SENATORS — Recalled G Mike Brodeur from Binghamton (AHL) on an emergency basis.
PHOENIX COYOTES — Assigned D Nolan Yonkman to San Antonio (AHL). Recalled RW Brett MacLean from San Antonio.
SAN JOSE SHARKS — Recalled LW Brandon Mashinter from Worcester (AHL).
WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Assigned RW Andrew Gordon and C Keith Aucoin to Hershey (AHL).

AHL

BINGHAMTON SENATORS — Returned G Daren Machesney to Elmira (ECHL).
CONNECTICUT WHALE — Reassigned D Lee Baldwin to Greenville (ECHL).
HAMILTON BULLDOGS — Recalled G Peter Delmas from Wichita (CHL).
SYRACUSE CRUNCH — Assigned LW Brian Lebler to Elmira (ECHL).

ECHL

LEAGUE OFFICE— Fined Stockton coach Matt Thomas an undisclosed amount for his actions following Monday's game at Bakersfield. Suspended Wheeling F Joey Haddad one game and fined him an undisclosed amount for his actions during Tuesday's game at Gwinnett. Fined Toledo F Adam Keefe an undisclosed amount for his actions during Tuesday's game at Cincinnati.
ELMIRA JACKALS — Announced D Marc-Antoine Desnoyers has left the team.

SOCCER

ENGLAND

PREMIER LEAGUE

Yesterday's results
Chelsea 1 Bolton 0
Liverpool 0 Wolverhampton Wanderers 1
Wigan 2 Arsenal 2

SCOTLAND

PREMIER LEAGUE

Hamilton 0 Aberdeen 1
Hibernian 2 Dundee United 2
Celtic 1 Motherwell 0
Inverness 1 Kilmarnock 3
St. Mirren 0 Hearts 2

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
d-Boston	24	5	.828	—
d-Miami	24	9	.727	2
d-Chicago	20	10	.667	4½
Orlando	20	12	.625	5½
Atlanta	20	13	.606	6
New York	18	13	.581	7
Indiana	13	16	.448	11
Milwaukee	12	18	.400	12½
Philadelphia	12	19	.387	13
Toronto	11	20	.355	14
Charlotte	10	19	.345	14
Detroit	10	21	.323	15
New Jersey	9	22	.290	16
Cleveland	8	23	.258	17
Washington	7	22	.241	17

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
d-San Antonio	27	4	.871	—
Dallas	24	6	.800	2½
d-L.A. Lakers	21	10	.677	6
d-Utah	21	10	.677	6
Oklahoma City	21	11	.656	6½
New Orleans	18	13	.581	9
Denver	17	13	.567	9½
Portland	16	16	.500	11½
Houston	15	15	.500	11½
Memphis	14	17	.452	13
Phoenix	13	16	.448	13
Golden State	12	18	.400	14½
L.A. Clippers	10	22	.313	17½
Minnesota	8	24	.250	19½
Sacramento	5	23	.179	20½

d-division leader
Last night's resultts
Golden State at Atlanta
Cleveland at Charlotte
Indiana at Washington
Boston at Detroit
Denver at Minnesota
L.A. Lakers at New Orleans
New Jersey at Oklahoma City
Miami at Houston
Philadelphia at Phoenix
Memphis at Sacramento
Utah at L.A. Clippers
Tuesday's results
Orlando 110 Cleveland 95
Boston 95 Indiana 83
Miami 106 New York 98
Chicago 90 Milwaukee 77
Toronto 84 Dallas 76
San Antonio 97 L.A. Lakers 82
Denver 95 Portland 77
Tonight's games
(All times Eastern)
New York at Orlando, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Dallas, 9:30 p.m.
Utah at Portland, 10 p.m.

FOOTBALL

NCAA

BOWL GLANCE

All times Eastern
Yesterday's results
MILITARY BOWL
At Landover, Md.
Maryland 51 East Carolina 20
TEXAS BOWL
At Houston
Baylor vs. Illinois
ALAMO BOWL
At San Antonio
Arizona vs. Oklahoma State
Today's games
ARMED FORCES BOWL
At Fort Worth, Texas
Southern Methodist (7-6) vs. Army (6-5), Noon
PINSTRIPE BOWL
At Bronx, N.Y.
Syracuse (7-5) vs. Kansas State (7-5), 3:30 p.m.
MUSIC CITY BOWL
At Nashville, Tenn.
North Carolina (7-5) vs. Tennessee (6-6), 6:30 p.m.
HOLIDAY BOWL
At San Diego, Calif.
Nebraska (10-3) vs. Washington (6-6), 10 p.m.

NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-New England	13	2	0	.867	480	306
x-N.Y. Jets	10	5	0	.667	329	297
Miami	7	8	0	.467	266	295
Buffalo	4	11	0	.267	276	387

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Indianapolis	9	6	0	.600	412	368
Jacksonville	8	7	0	.533	336	385
Tennessee	6	9	0	.400	336	316
Houston	5	10	0	.333	356	410

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-Pittsburgh	11	4	0	.733	334	223
x-Baltimore	11	4	0	.733	344	263
Cleveland	5	10	0	.333	262	291
Cincinnati	4	11	0	.267	315	382

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-Kansas City	10	5	0	.667	356	295
San Diego	8	7	0	.533	408	294
Oakland	7	8	0	.467	379	361
Denver	4	11	0	.267	316	438

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

EAST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-Philadelphia	10	5	0	.667	426	363
N.Y. Giants	9	6	0	.600	377	333
Washington	6	9	0	.400	288	360
Dallas	5	10	0	.333	380	423

SOUTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
x-Atlanta	12	3	0	.800	383	278
x-New Orleans	11	4	0	.733	371	284
Tampa Bay	9	6	0	.600	318	305
Carolina	2	13	0	.133	186	377

NORTH

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
y-Chicago	11	4	0	.733	331	276
Green Bay	9	6	0	.600	378	237
Minnesota	6	9	0	.400	268	328
Detroit	5	10	0	.333	342	356

WEST

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
St. Louis	7	8	0	.467	283	312
Seattle	6	9	0	.400	294	401
San Francisco	5	10	0	.333	267	339
Arizona	5	10	0	.333	282	396

x — clinched playoff berth.
y — clinched division.

WEEK 16

Tuesday's result
Minnesota 24 Philadelphia 14
Monday's result
New Orleans 17 Atlanta 14

WEEK 17

Sunday's games
(All times Eastern)
Buffalo at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Miami at New England, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Oakland at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
Arizona at San Francisco, 4:15 p.m.
Chicago at Green Bay, 4:15 p.m. (changed from 1 p.m.)
Dallas at Philadelphia, 4:15 p.m. (changed from 1 p.m.)
Jacksonville at Houston, 4:15 p.m. (changed from 1 p.m.)
N.Y. Giants at Washington, 4:15 p.m. (changed from 1 p.m.)
San Diego at Denver, 4:15 p.m.
Tennessee at Indianapolis, 4:15 p.m. (changed from 1 p.m.)
St. Louis at Seattle, 8:20 p.m. (changed from 4:15 p.m.)
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UFC

Liddell done with fighting

Chuck (The Iceman) Liddell helped build the UFC. Now he's going to help run it.

The UFC Hall of Famer and former light-heavyweight champion announced his retirement yesterday to become the mixed martial arts organization's executive vice-president for business development.

The 41-year-old Liddell, better known for beatdowns than business, acknowledged it was a title he never expected to precede his name.

"Definitely not, but if I'm going to be a vice-president of something, have a real job, this is the one I want," Liddell said.

Liddell (21-8) talked of retirement in April 2009 after a string of poor performances culminated in a TKO loss to Mauricio (Shogun) Rua at UFC 97 in Montreal. UFC president Dana White, who once managed Liddell, was more definitive before and after the Rua fight, saying it was time for his friend to quit before he got hurt.

But Liddell missed the sport and — after rededicating himself to training — returned to the cage in June at UFC 115 in Vancouver, where he was knocked out by Rich Franklin.

That loss was his third straight and fifth in his last six outings.

"Listen, I can't even imagine what it's like to walk out into an arena with 20,000 people screaming your name and all the things that go along with it — and the money and the fun and the fame," said White.

"The reality is he was the king, man. And it's tough to walk away from that."

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Norway offers little challenge for Canada

Schenn popped four goals, Gudbranson had two, while Cizikas, Leblanc, Couturier, Foligno each had one

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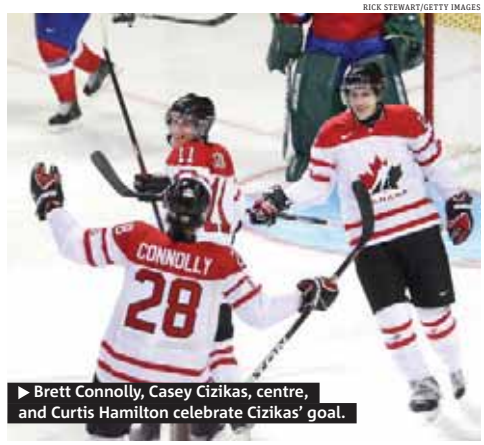

▶ Brett Connolly, Casey Cizikas, centre, and Curtis Hamilton celebrate Cizikas' goal.

CANADA	NORWAY
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A depleted lineup could not slow down a Canadian team that has been a scoring machine at the world junior hockey championship as Brayden Schenn had four goals and an assist in a 10-1 victory over lowly Norway last night.

Canada has scored 23 goals in three straight wins in the preliminary round heading into what may be a decisive match for first place in its group on Friday against Sweden (2-0), who play the Czech Republic today.

Canada was reduced to 16 skaters as Zack Kassian served the first of a two-game suspension for a hit to the head during a 7-2 win Tuesday over the Czech Republic and defenceman Calvin de Haan and forward Jaden Schwartz sat out with lower body injuries. Forward Cody Eakin also sat out with a suspected hand or wrist injury.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Suspensions

- Canada's Zack Kassian and two Slovakian players were slapped with suspensions yesterday for hits to the head after a night of ugly incidents at the world junior hockey championship.
- Kassian was handed a second game on top of the automatic one-game suspension he got for taking a match penalty for a check to the head of defenceman Petr Senkerik on Tuesday night.

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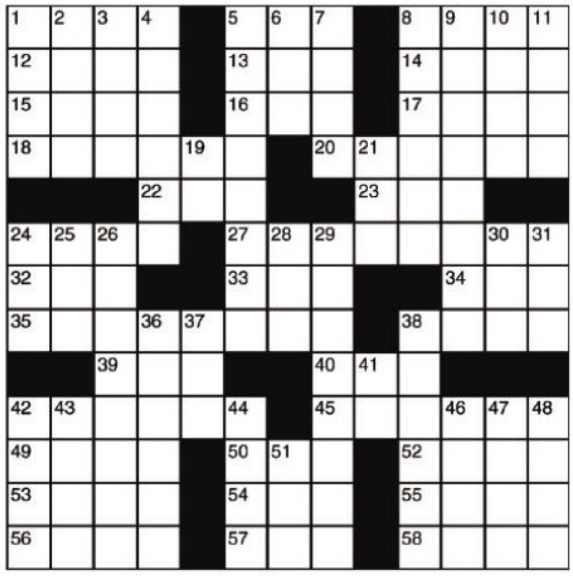

Across
1 Tea time
5 Beaver's creation
8 Prior nights
12 Competent
13 Indivisible
14 Infamous lyre player
15 Time-consuming
16 Cistern
17 On
18 About three miles
20 Interlace
22 Suitable
23 Always, in verse
24 Heard the alarm clock
27 Expression of praise
32 Grand Cherokee, e.g.
33 Altar affirmative
34 Neither partner
35 He may be hard to pin down
38 — -friendly
39 Confucian path
40 U-Haul rental
42 Potpourri pouch
45 Sign up
49 Turkish VIP
50 Still
52 One of HOMES
53 Lascivious look
54 Favorite
55 Taj Mahal city
56 Icelandic epic
57 — out a living
58 Changed color

Down
1 Autumn
2 Reed instrument
3 Arm bone
4 Jamaican music style
5 Fit together neatly
6 Literary collection
7 Apportion
8 Nail polish
9 Old soldiers
10 Cupid's alias
11 Former frosh
19 Carl Fredricksen's story
21 Ultramodernist
24 Away from ENE
25 "— Town"
26 Complained
28 B-F link
29 Snazzy Chevy
30 Fawn's mom
31 Mess up
36 Vast desert
37 Pirouette pivot
38 Illiterate
41 Indefinite article
42 Mall attraction
43 On in years
44 Category
46 Wild revelry
47 Old Italian money
48 Graphite, so to speak
51 "A mouse!"

▶ Yesterday's answer

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Sudoku

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9	5		1	2				8
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4				8	6		3	2
7		1	5					

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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

1	5	7	2	4	6	9	3	8
4	6	9	8	3	5	7	1	2
8	2	3	9	7	1	4	6	5
5	7	4	6	9	8	1	2	3
3	9	1	4	5	2	8	7	6
6	8	2	7	1	3	5	4	9
7	1	6	5	2	9	3	8	4
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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 Now that Mercury, planet of the mind, is moving in your favor again you should go back and review some of the opinions you have been so vocal in defending these past few weeks.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 You will find it easier to come to grips with a financial or business matter that has been keeping you awake at night.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Life is not a zero sum game: others don't have to lose every time you and your allies win. Mercury, your ruler, will make it easy for you to find ways to build bridges and move forward together.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 Choose an approach and stick with it. You have chopped and changed so many times in recent weeks that you may no longer be sure if you are facing in the right direction.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 You need to decide what it is you are aiming for in life. Give yourself time and space to think about the options and go with the one that means most to you personally.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 You may be asked to give up something that means a lot to you today – and you should do so willingly. The sacrifices you make for others now will be repaid in full later on.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Keep your eyes and ears open over the next 24 hours, because if you don't pay attention to what's going on around you a wonderful opportunity could go begging.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 It is of the utmost importance that you stay positive today, even if you receive news that is less than pleasing. Most likely what you hear is not bad at all

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 It's not like you to lack confidence but over the past few weeks, while Mercury has been moving retrograde, you seem to have lost your way a bit. Don't worry. you'll be back on track in no time.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 What happens today will remind you how easy it is to get worked up about things that are of no importance. No doubt you will kick yourself for being so silly but no great harm has been done.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Your ability to trust has been damaged because someone you are close to emotionally let you down in some way. But it's no big deal.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20 As mind planet Mercury turns direct in the career area of your chart you will remember what it was you were hoping to accomplish. Yes, you have wasted time, but you'll make up for it.

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